

Remarks

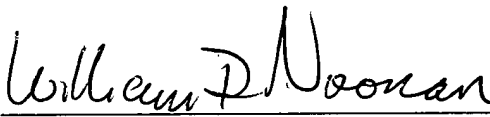
Claims 1-29, 31, 35-38, 40-45 and 47, and 49 were pending in this application. Applicant has canceled claims 22-29, leaving claims 1-21, 31, 35-38, 40-45 and 47, and 49 for consideration.

It is believed that these amendments simplify issues for appeal by reducing the number of claims, and that entry of this Amendment After Final Rejection is therefore appropriate.

Applicant has also concurrently filed a terminal disclaimer to remove the double patenting rejection and further simplify issues for appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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